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TO : DIRECTOR

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM

FROM : SHERWOOD

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ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5) DD/P (L) (6), WH (7), SA/PC/DCI (8)

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ROUTINE

TO: SLING

INFO: DIR

PRECEDENCE

CITE: SHERWOOD

PBSUCCESS RYBAT

1. [ IDEN A PICKED UP BY FBI IN CUBA. AGENTS NAMES ANDERSON AND SPEARS. IDEN A INFORMED BY SPEARS THAT HE WAS GOING TO BE PICKED BY CUBAN POLICE FOR QUESTIONING UNLESS HE, SPEARS, TOLD THE POLICE THAT IDEN A WAS OK. SPEARS WANTED TO KNOW WHERE IDEN A GOT ALL HIS MONEY THAT HE WIRED HOME.

2. DURING QUESTIONING SPEARS ASKED IDEN A WHERE HE SIGNED CONTRACT. IDEN A DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ANY CONTRACT SPEARS THEN READ IDEN A LIST OF 11 NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO SIGNED CONTRACTS (9 OF THE 11 NAMES WERE OUR PILOTS INCLUDING [ ] NAME). IDEN A STATED HE DID NOT KNOW ANY OF THE NAMES EXCEPT HIS ROOM MATE IN THE HOTEL.

3. SPEARS ADVISED IDEN A TO COME CLEAN OR THE CUBAN POLICE WOULD HAVE HIM IN JAIL IN LESS THAN ONE HOUR FOR BEING A PART OF A PLANNED CUBAN REVOLT. DURING A ONE HOUR DEBRIEFING SPEARS ONLY LEARNED FROM IDEN A THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO MANA AS A TOURIST.

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4. SPEARS TOLD IDEN A THAT HE WAS SATISFIED IDEN A HAD NO INTEREST IN CUBA AND FURTHER STATED THAT HE, SPEARS, KNEW ALL ABOUT HIS CONTRACT AND WISHED IDEN A LUCK IN HIS NEW JOB. SPEARS TOLD IDEN A THAT IF HE HAD ANY TROUBLE AT THE HAYANA AIRPORT TO GIVE HIM A CALL AND HE WOULD HELP HIM LEAVE.

5. IDEN A ARRIVED SOMERSET (RECEIVED SOWERSET) WITHOUT FURTHER MISHAP.

6. TWO STERILE PILOTS AND FOUR KICKERS NOW AT SOMERSET. LAST TWO STERILE PILOTS ETA SOMERSET 7 JUNE 1530 (IDEN B AND C).

END OF MESSAGE

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